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The Farmers' Educational and Co-operative Union of America.

CONDUCTED BY J. C. STRIBLING.

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Something Queer About the Fertilizer Tags.

After making some investigation looking into the matter of fertilizer tags our men of our "secret service" have come to the conclusion that there must be "something" about the "tags" in this thing. We find that in one car, unloaded at Anderson, contained enough loose tags to supply another car, while every sack had tags. This is double the amount required by law.

The writer saw a box some six inches square nearly full of tags that were found loose in another car. While all the sacks were properly tagged. One of the State's fertilizer inspectors reports that he often finds large numbers of loose tags about in the cars, sometimes a large bunch is found hanging up inside the cars. We have interviewed quite a number of dealers and handlers of fertilizers who state positively that they have never seen anything like the amount of extra tags thrown about loose as they see this morning.

A System of Marketing Cotton.

By request of N. C. Murray, president of the Farmers' State Union of Texas, I hereby give to the press for publication my views in regard to a system of marketing cotton.

First, let every State organize their farmers into the Farmers' Union, then elect from each State a proportionate number of your best men who are honest and qualified to do the business. Select some Southern city, centrally located. New Orleans being the greatest American center, I would suggest that city be designated as the place to carry on the system. Establish at that point a Farmers' Cotton Exchange, and in connection with the Exchange, establish a secret Bureau of Information, by which means direct information could be communicated to the Executive Board of every State Union of America within a few hours time; each State Board could furnish the information to the County President or Secretary, and by him each local notified.

Within three days time every cotton grower in America would know the exact number of bales of cotton in the hands of the spinners, and the number of bales of spot cotton; also, the number of bales in the hands of the farmer. With this reliable information, and nothing fictitious connected with it, the confidence of every American cotton farmer would be strengthened, and when orders were issued from central Exchange headquarters to hold cotton off of the market for any definite time it would be done at any cost.

By this system of management all fictitious reports could be set aside and confidence in the cotton producers, one for another, would be firmly established, and the great army of cotton producers could swing into line, and the bears of our cotton market disappear quickly. This being accomplished, a uniform system of prices on raw material and manufactured goods could at once be established, and no longer would the American cotton producers be the toys and playthings of the cotton gamblers of the world. Why our American cotton producers do not act more in concert, in holding their cotton in on account of lost confidence in our statisticians, and in our ginners reports issued by the government, because of the fact that in many instances it is known that ginners have failed to give a correct report, for pecuniary reasons. This being true, we have no right to look to for correct information. The only thing left for the cotton farmer is organization. By the above system we can get a report direct from every cotton producer every two weeks through the secretaries of our local organizations; this information furnished by them to our National Bureau of Information at New Orleans, we in return would receive a general report from the Bureau of Information, of the exact cotton situation. By this means the Exchange could be in position to issue correct orders in regard to the holding or selling of cotton; and the growers being familiar with the exact conditions, would be in a position to act.

I offer the above, by request, as a plan by which the problem of marketing cotton may be settled, and for every thinking cotton grower's consideration. Some parties, perhaps, will say that all the farmers can't be organized. This is true. But this will not figure so far as reporting the amount of cotton raised is concerned; as each local secretary could easily ascertain the number of bales of cotton raised by all who are not members of the Union. And with a concerted action of two-thirds of the American cotton growers a system of just and remunerative prices could be maintained. I do not claim the above plan to be complete or absolute, but one of mature consideration. However, many suggestions may be made as an improvement, and should anything better be offered, I am ready to strike hands with my cotton producing friends for a forward march, until every enemy to just and remunerative prices on our cotton shall be exterminated forever. I would ask every paper throughout the cotton growing belt of the United States that is friendly to the cotton producers cause, to please copy.

R. L. Barnett, Winnsboro, Texas.

John W. Essig, Democrat, was on Thursday elected mayor of Huntington, W. Va. During the conflict preceding the election three men were shot, several were beaten by policemen and deputy sheriffs and numerous county and city officers were arrested and cast into jail.

STATE NEWS.

John H. O'Neale has offered to donate a site for a hospital in Greenville.

Determined opposition is developing to the formation of the proposed Heyward County.

Dr. C. H. Judson, of Furman University, has returned from Florida with his health much benefited.

Ned Mack, colored, will be hanged in Manning on Friday, the 28th, for the murder of his father-in-law.

J. E. Boyer, of Columbia, has been arrested charged with having set fire to his store which resulted in the great fire disaster of the Brooklyn section.

A negro man has sued the city of Columbia for \$100 for getting his foot hurt on the street by falling through the pavement.

The portrait of Judge O'Neale, which was purchased by the Legislature at a cost of \$250, has been turned over to the clerk of the State Supreme Court.

A number of carpenters working on the new passenger depot at Greenville went on strike on account of differences with the foreman. A new force was at once secured.

Comptroller General Jones has raised the assessment of the Standard Oil Company in this State from \$5,600 to \$20,000. An appeal will be taken to the board of assessors.

John Gray, a weaver at the Woodside Mills in Greenville, was shot and severely wounded by a negro gambler who escaped. The negro with others had been surprised while gambling.

The Southern Newspaper Publishers' Association will meet in Charleston May 2-3. The newspaper men of Charleston are making arrangements to entertain the visitors in a splendid manner.

The Catawba Indians in York County say they cannot live on the \$1,500 a year given them by the State and wish to emigrate to the West to settle in Indian Territory. There are about 800 in the tribe, only 10 of whom, however, are full blooded Indians.

A report from Batesburg states that no damage was done the peach and other fruit crops on the Ridge by the recent cold snap, and that the prospects for a large crop of peaches and plums are very good. The growing of peaches has become a large industry on the Ridge, and has been proven profitable.

The Governor of the State offers a reward of two hundred dollars for the arrest of Ed. Wakefield, and his delivery to the Sheriff of Greenville County, charged with the murder of J. E. Hicks, on February 18, 1904. Wakefield is described as being about thirty years old, six feet and two inches high, drooping shoulders, slender build, light complexion, dark brown hair, left thumb off at the first joint.

Mr. Thos. W. Folk's residence near Garmany, in No. 2 Township, Newberry County, was struck by lightning and set on fire during the electric storm. The fire was put out with only nominal loss. The bolt struck the chimney in the rear of the house near the ground, knocking off several planks from the outside of the house, and setting fire to a broom on the inside, thus starting the blaze. The family distinctly felt the shock, but no one was injured.

Saturday F. P. Mason brought two parts of a minie ball to the Spartan office. About 13 years ago Doctors Lanham and Allen cut out a portion of the ribs under the right arm of Virgil M. Rogers. A short time ago he felt that there was something wrong with his right shoulder in the rear. He could feel that there was something trying to push its way out. Dr. Lanham cut another portion of the ball, a little larger than the first. It was very rough and jagged with pieces of bone adhering. Mr. Rogers was shot at the crater in Petersburg.—Carolina Spartan.

At Johnston last Friday morning about 3 o'clock fire broke out in the business section of the town and two handsome brick stores and two frame ones were completely destroyed. L. B. Asbell, drugs and groceries, loss \$10,000, with insurance of \$1,000; D. T. Ozts lost on four buildings \$3,500, insurance \$2,000. The stocks in Edwards' bicycle store and Dr. Mobley's drug store were saved, and there was much damage to nearly every merchant in moving goods. If the wind had not been blowing from the south a greater portion of the town would have been destroyed.

John E. Smith, a former citizen of Pickens County, is in serious trouble. He has deserted the United States Army. He was captured Friday night eight miles east of Pickens in the Cross Roads section of that county, near his former home. He served six years in the army and just recently re-enlisted. He was captured by Town Marshal John Griffin and Mr. H. A. Nealey, of Pickens, who will receive a reward of \$50 for his capture. Smith's story is that he never deserted, as he had a dispute with an officer in Atlanta whom he told he was going to leave. A dispute arose as to the payment of our fare from Atlanta to Fort McPherson, Smith claiming that the government should pay the fare and the officer claiming that it was a personal claim. Smith says he knocked the officer down for insulting him and left, thinking all that was necessary was to tell the officer that he was going to leave. He could not then, in his opinion, be termed a deserter.

GENERAL NEWS.

The fruit crop at Roanoke, Va., has been killed by the cold.

The mines of Mexico have been closed to the coinage of silver.

Three men were burned to death in a jail near New Orleans a few days ago.

The damage to strawberries in North Carolina is estimated at 25 per cent.

The estimate is that 75 per cent of the Georgia peach crop has been killed.

A fire on Thursday at Nashville, injured Vanderbilt University to the amount of \$200,000. Insurance, \$10,000.

A wealthy merchant died in a hospital in Savannah a few days ago from blood poison resulting from a cat scratch.

John D. Rockefeller has given \$100,000 to the University of Virginia to found a "Curry school of education."

The Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, in Augusta, will erect a house for taking care of stray dogs and cats.

Some negroes lynched another negro at Marion, Ark., a few days ago because the lynched negro killed another negro.

At Washington it is thought that unless France gives some satisfactory assurances complications with England may develop.

Bishop A. A. Watson, of the Episcopal diocese of Eastern North Carolina, is dead at Wilmington. He had reached an advanced age.

The Naval Stores Product Export Company to control the turpentine industry has been formed in Mississippi with \$3,500,000 capital.

The bones of Paul Jones, who founded the American navy, have been found in an old cemetery in Paris and will be brought to this country.

A sculptor at Logansport, Ind., removed a statue of Wm. McKinley from the pedestal in the park because he said he was never paid for making the monument.

Hardy Watkins, a negro, was indicted at Evergreen, Ala., charged with the murder of his wife by throwing her on a burning brush heap, and holding her there until life was nearly extinct.

The Japanese will profit by the destruction of the Russian fleet in the harbor of Port Arthur. There will be at least four of the sunken battleships raised and made to do service in the Japanese navy.

The largest bequest ever made by a colored person to Tuskegee Institute, Booker Washington's school at Tuskegee, Ala., was recorded in New York when the will of Mary E. Shaw, of Philadelphia, was probated. It bequeathed \$38,000 to the institution.

price has been put on the head of the American eagle in Tehama County, California. The board of supervisors offers a reward of \$1 for the head of each of the great birds on the petition of the sheep men, who have lost many lambs by eagles.

The home of George T. Maull at Clarksburg, W. Va., was entirely destroyed by fire and four children were burned to death. The parents, with a fifth child, had barely time to escape from the burning building. The charred bodies of the four children were recovered from the ruins.

State Senator R. L. Hipp, a lawyer, and Deputy Sheriff Dunlay, of Cullman, Ala., went out into the country on Thursday to oust John Williams from a tract of land he had lost in a lawsuit. Williams refused to vacate and a fight ensued, in which Hipp was killed and Dunlay was badly wounded.

It has just come to light that a niece of Andrew Carnegie married her mother's coachman, a widower with two children, a year ago, and that they have been in Europe since. Andrew says it is so, and that the coachman is an honest man and he would rather she had married a poor but honest American than a worthless duke.

The heaviest rainfall of short duration ever recorded accurately is said to have been the recent one at Santiago de Cuba. An English engineer found the rate to be more than four inches an hour, and between 7 and 10 o'clock in the evening a total fall of more than a foot was registered by the gauge. The storm covered nearly three hundred miles, in places being even heavier than at the point where the measurement was made.

Thomas Yandaw, a conspicuous figure in Norfolk for over fifty years, claimed up to the time of his death that he was entitled to a large fortune in California. Five years ago he was adjudged a lunatic and sent to an asylum. Two years ago he died and was buried in a pauper's grave at the asylum. A letter has just been received in Norfolk stating that Yandaw was entitled to a large portion of an estate in California worth upward of \$1,500,000. Yandaw's wife is dead and he left no heirs.

F. M. Cookrell, Jr., son of ex-Senator Cookrell, is the inventor of a sugar cane cutter that promises to revolutionize the sugar planting industry of the South and at the same time make its inventor a millionaire. His machine will do the work of more than one hundred men. It cuts, strips and tops the cane and is pronounced by experts who have seen it in operation a wonderful machine, that will mean as much to the sugar cane industry as did the cotton gin to the cotton business.

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15 pieces Brown Linen, regular price 15c, at..... 10c yr (10 yards to customer)
Best Calico..... 4c yr
Mill Ends of Apron Checks..... 3c yr
Cotton Checks and Plaids..... 3c yr
Mill Ends yard-wide Sheeting..... 4c yr
Mill Ends Dress Gingham, 7c grade, at..... 4c yr
Mill Ends Dress Gingham, 10c grade, at..... 4c yr
Mill Ends Percale, 10c grade, at..... 7c yr

Laces and Embroideries.
1000 yards of Narrow Torchon Lace at..... 1c yr
Torchon Lace, one to two inches wide, at..... 3c yr
25 pieces of Embroidery, one inch wide, at..... 1c yr
1000 yards of Embroidery and Lace-on, worth 5c, at..... 3c yr

Lace Curtains.
Worth 60c at..... 45c f
Worth \$1.00 at..... 69c f

Curtain Poles with Fixtures.
White Enameled or Cherry..... 8c each, comp

Umbrellas.
26 inch School Umbrellas, worth 50c, at..... 25c f

Tinware.
4 quart Pudding or Milk Pans, worth 10c, at..... 5c
2 quart Dippers, regular price 10c, at..... 5c
9 inch Pie Plates, regular price 5c, at..... 2c f
Fibre Water Pails, worth 35c, at..... 25c
Carpet Tacks at..... 1c
Egg Whips, 4c kind, at..... 1c
White Metal Tea Spoons at..... 7c for set
White Metal Table Spoons at..... 10c
Fibre Lunch Boxes at..... 4c
Large size Scissors, nickel plated, a 25c article, at..... 10c
8 inch plain White Wash Brush at..... 5c
7 inch painted Wash Brush at..... 10c
4 lb package Grandma Washing Powder at..... 12c
1 lb. package Grandma Washing Powder at..... 4c
A No. 1 Laundry Soap, 8 oz. cakes, 12 cakes for..... 25c
Nobby Soap, best laundry soap made, at..... 7c cakes f
Cocoa Soap..... 2 cakes
Good Luck Baking Powder at..... 7c
Good Luck Baking Powder, large size, at..... 2 cakes
Cracker Jack Baking Powder at..... 2 cakes
10 inch Metal Dish, worth 15c, at..... 7c
8 inch Gravy Bowl, worth 15c, at..... 7c
8 inch Gravy Bowl, deep, worth 15c, at..... 7c
Soup Tureens, worth \$1.00, at..... 50c
Large Soup Plates, worth 60c, at..... 25c
Glass Dinner Plates, English ware, worth 75c, at..... 25c
7 only 100-piece Decorated Dinner Sets, worth \$10.00, at..... 7c
5 only 100-piece Decorated Dinner Sets, worth \$12.00, at..... 5c
5 only 100-piece Carlsbad China Sets, worth \$22.00, at..... 5c
100 sets of Tumblers, worth 15c, at..... 10c
25 doz. plain Blow Tumblers, worth 40c, at..... 25c
9 inch oblong Preserva Dish, value 10c, at..... 7c
8 inch deep round Berry Bowls, value 15c, at..... 7c
Half gal. Glass Pitcher, worth 25c, at..... 7c
10 inch Blown Glass Vase, worth 50c, at..... 2c
10 inch Carnation Vase, value 35c, at..... 2c
First quality Window Shades (Linen) at..... 6c
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